



DURING THE
BIGWIG'S INITIAL
DEVELOPMENT, WE
FACED RELENTLESS
CRITICISM
REGARDING THE
PRACTICALITY OF
MOUNTING HEAVY
ARTILLERY ON
MOBILE SUITS.

CRITICS ARGUED IT
WAS ESSENTIALLY
A MOBILE ARMOR
WITH A DIFFERENT
NAME, OR THAT IT
LACKED THE
TACTICAL
FLEXIBILITY OF THE
BURST LINER. BUT
THIS MACHINE
BREAKS THE MOLD
COMPLETELY.

THIS WILL
REVOLUTIONIZE
HOW WE DEPLOY
SHIPS AND
MOBILE SUITS IN
COMBAT
OPERATIONS.

PACKING FIREPOWER
THAT SURPASSES
BATTLESHIP MAIN
CANNONS, COMBINED
WITH FIRING ARC
VERSATILITY THAT
NAVAL VESSELS CAN
ONLY DREAM OF, PLUS
REMARKABLE
BATTLEFIELD MOBILITY.

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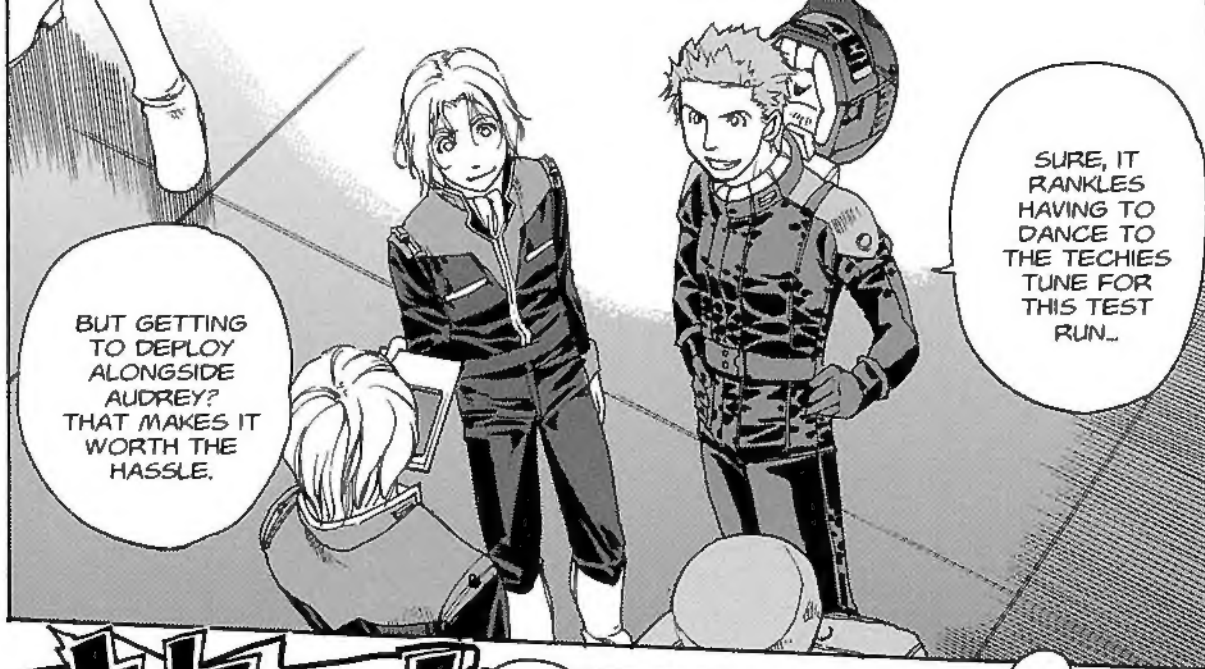


I HAVE ABSOLUTE
CONFIDENCE
THIS WILL
BECOME A
CORNERSTONE
OF OUR
STRATEGIC
ARSENAL
BEFORE LONG.

HEH
HEH!

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BUT GETTING
TO DEPLOY
ALONGSIDE
AUDREY?
THAT MAKES IT
WORTH THE
HASSLE.

SURE, IT
RANKLES
HAVING TO
DANCE TO
THE TECHIES
TUNE FOR
THIS TEST
RUN..

**あああ
やあああ!**

RIGHT,
RIGHT.
JUST GET
ON WITH
CHECKING
THOSE
PROCEDURES
ALREADY.

HOLD DOWN
THE FORT
WHILE
WE'RE OUT
THERE!

LIEUTENANT
MATSUBARA.

WHAT
KIND OF
SICK
MIND
DREW
THIS
MON-
STROSITY?!

ITS
ABSO-
LUTELY
REVOLT-
ING!

APPARENT-
LY IT'S NOT
JUST LIVE
RABBITS
THAT SET
HER OFF.

WELL
THAT'S
DEPRESS-
ING...

NO WAY
IN HELL
AM I
PILOTING
THAT!





GETTING YOUR
HANDS ON THE
MILITARY'S
MOST
ADVANCED
HARDWARE.
THIS IS WHAT
EVERY TEST
PILOT DREAMS
OF, ISN'T IT?



I'M
ENTRUSTING
MY PRECIOUS
CREATION TO
YOUR CAPABLE
HANDS,
LIEUTENANT
MATSUBARA.



THAT
DEPENDS
ON THE
PERSON.



I TRUST
YOU'RE NOT
OPPOSED
TO A
HANDSHAKE?





WELL, THAT
WAS A COLD
RECEPTION!



COME
ON,
AUDREY,
WE'RE
MOVING
OUT.

SORRY,
BUT IT'S
TIME.

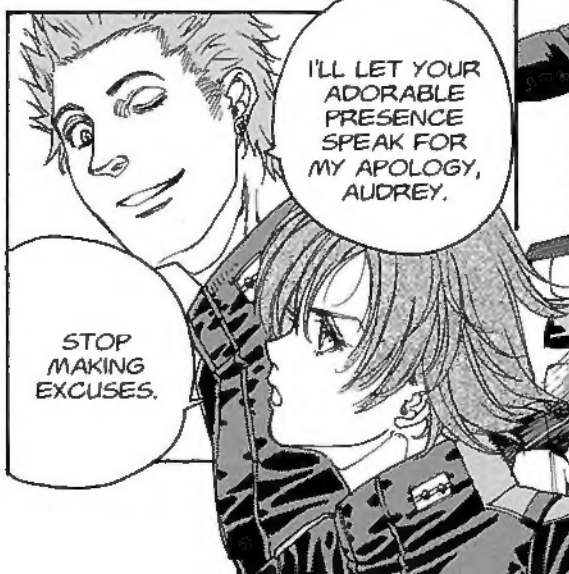


...BUT THAT
ATTITUDE
OF YOURS
ISN'T DOING
YOU ANY
FAVORS.

I'M NOT
SAYING
YOU HAVE
TO KISS
UP TO
HIM...



CARL!



I'LL LET YOUR
ADORABLE
PRESENCE
SPEAK FOR
MY APOLOGY,
AUDREY.

STOP
MAKING
EXCUSES.



THAT GUY
REALLY
GOT
UNDER
MY SKIN.



ACTING LIKE
WE CLIMB
INTO THESE
MOBILE SUITS
SOLELY FOR
THE BENEFIT
OF HIM AND
HIS KIND.



...SO WIPE
THAT
LOOK
OFF
YOUR
FACE.

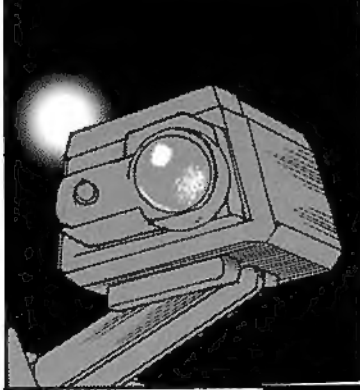
I'LL
HANDLE
THE
MISSION
LIKE A
PRO...



MATSUBARA AND
APRIL UNITS HAVE
REACHED THE
DESIGNATED
TRAINING ZONE.

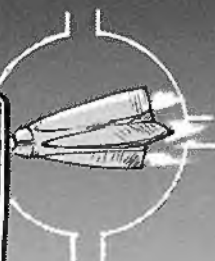
RIGHT
THEN, I'M
LEAVING
YOU IN
CHARGE
WHILE
WE'RE OUT
THERE!

ELIARD!



COMMENCING
LONG-RANGE
BEAM CANNON
LIVE-FIRE
EXERCISE.

TARGET:
"PROBE"
VESSEL
CURRENTLY
NAVIGATING
POINT C.



HOWEVER,
THE ADVENT
OF THE UNIT-
STRUCTURED
HI-ZACK
DESIGN
ELIMINATED
THAT
BOTTLENECK
ENTIRELY.

THE PRIMARY
OBSTACLE TO
DEPLOYING
HIGH-OUTPUT
BEAM
WEAPONRY HAS
ALWAYS BEEN
INADEQUATE
GENERATOR
CAPACITY.

THAT SAID, THE
COMBAT
PERFORMANCE DATA
FROM ASWAN
VALIDATES THE DESIGN
BEYOND ANY DOUBT.

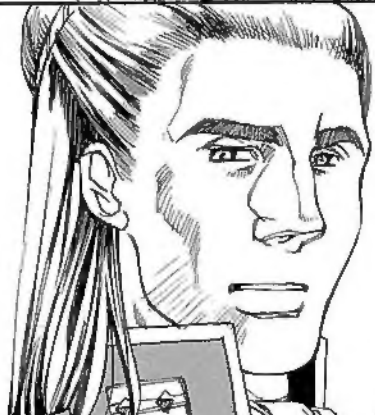
EVEN AMONG HEAVY
ARMAMENTS CAPABLE
OF MOBILE SUIT
OPERATION, THIS
SYSTEM REPRESENTS
AN UNPRECEDENTED
SCALE, WHICH DOES
LEAVE US WITH SOME
RESIDUAL CONCERNS
REGARDING THE
CONTAINMENT RING
ASSEMBLY.





OUT THERE,
OUR MOBILE
SUITS ARE
ALL THAT
STAND
BETWEEN
US AND
OBLIVION.

"RESIDUAL
CONCERNS"?

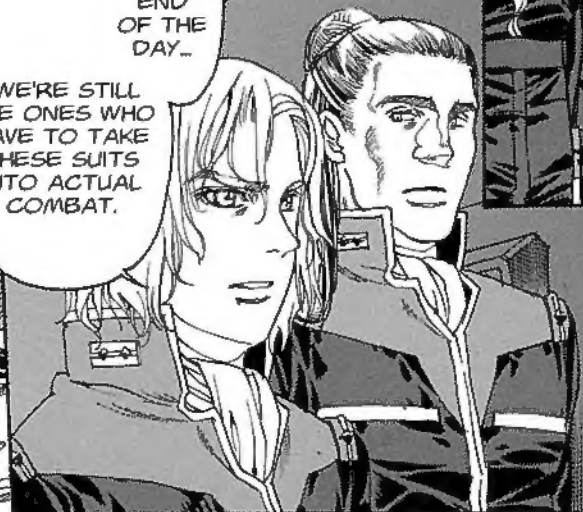


EVERY-
ONE'S
GOT
THEIR
JUSTIFI-
CATIONS.

THEY'RE
VIEWING THIS
WHOLE
OPERATION
THROUGH
THEIR OWN
LENS.



ELIARD.



BUT
AT THE
END OF THE
DAY...

...WE'RE STILL
THE ONES WHO
HAVE TO TAKE
THESE SUITS
INTO ACTUAL
COMBAT.



KEEP YOUR
HEAD IN
THE GAME.



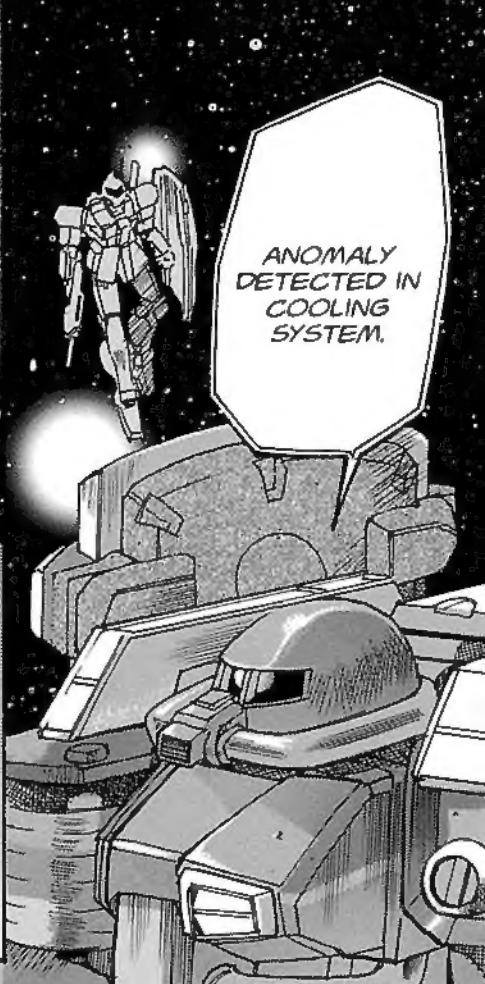
CUT ALL
ENERGY SUPPLY
TO THE
ENERGY CAP
IMMEDIATELY.



SEEMS WEVE
STILL GOT
SOME VOLATILE
COMPONENTS
IN THE MIX.

THIS IS
GETTING
SERIOUSLY
UNFUNNY...

IT'S
STOP-
PED...



ANOMALY
DETECTED IN
COOLING
SYSTEM.



RELAX.



OK

EMERGENCY
CONTROL
PROTOCOLS...

THERE'S A
WORLD OF
DIFFERENCE
BETWEEN
TALKING THE
TALK AND
WALKING
THE WALK.

LET'S RUN
THROUGH THIS
FROM SQUARE
ONE.



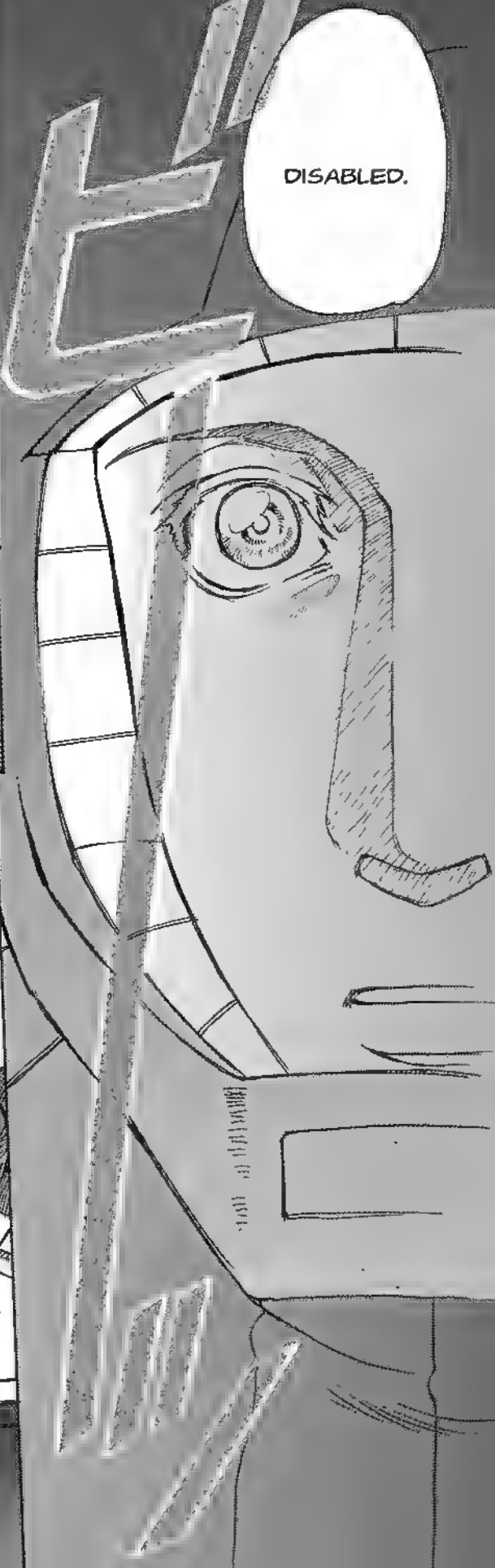
WE'VE
BUILT IN
REDUNDANT
SAFETY PROTOCOLS.
WE'RE
FULLY
AWARE
OF THE
RISKS OF
ACCIDENTAL
DISCHARGE.



SAME
ISSUE AS
BEFORE.

RUN
ANOTHER
DIAGNOS-
TIC.

UGH, WHAT
NOW?!

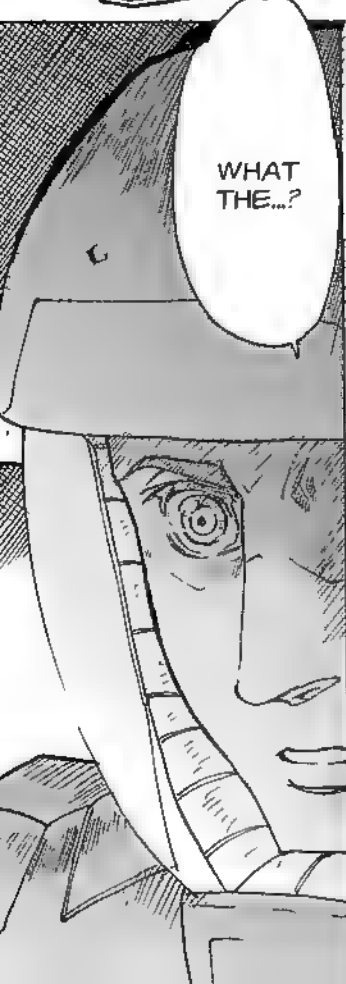


DISABLED.

COULD THE
WARNING
SYSTEM BE
GLITCHING?

STATUS
READS
"GREEN."

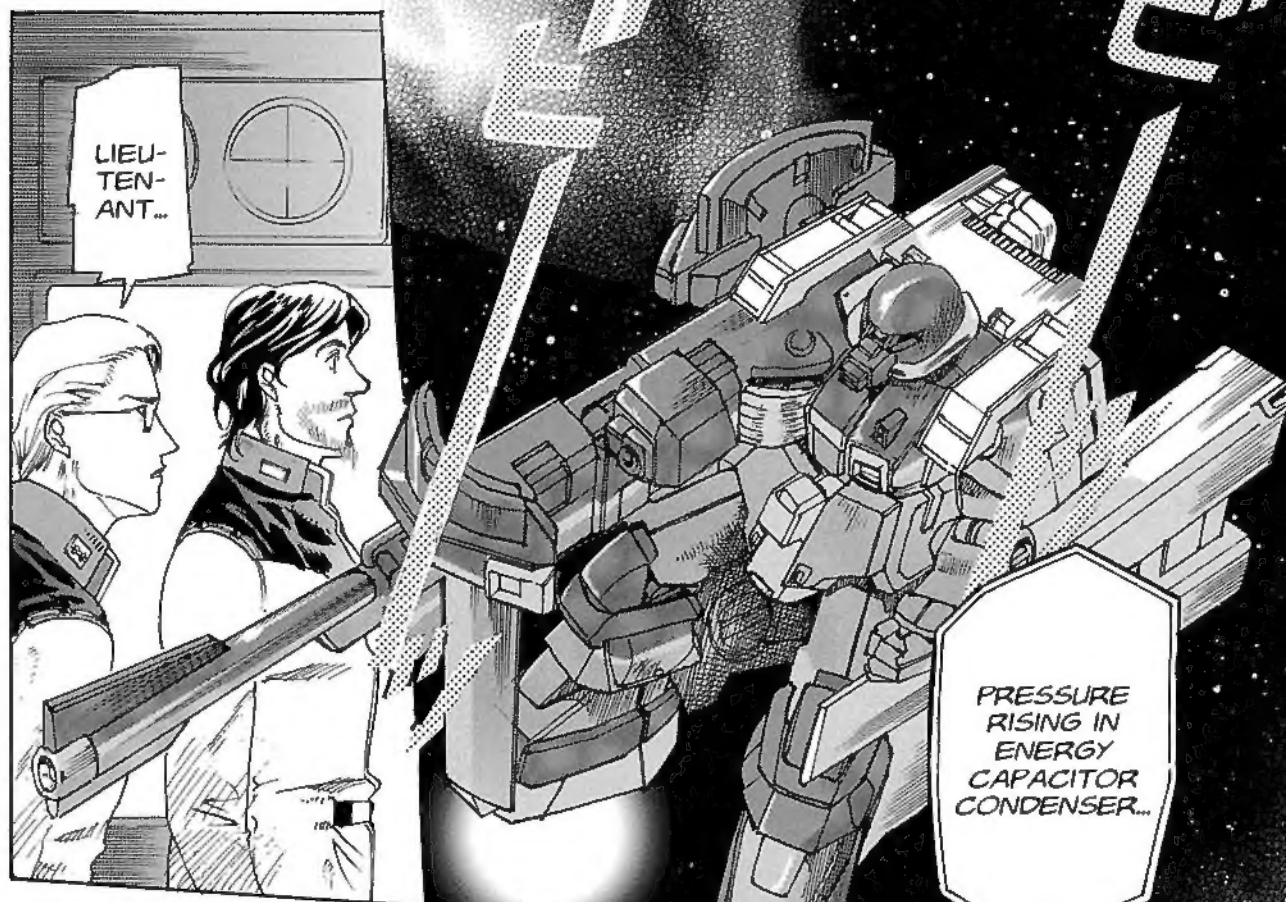
CROSS-
REFERENC-
ING WITH
OUR
SENSOR
ARRAY.



WHAT
THE...?

BEAM
GENERATOR
ACCESS
PORT IS
SEALED
SHUT.

ELECTRICAL
FAULT
DETECTED.
POWER
LEVELS
REMAIN
FLATLINED.



LIEU-TEN-ANT...

PRESSURE RISING IN ENERGY CAPACITOR CONDENSER...



...AND TAKE EVERYTHING WITH IT...

IF THIS THING GOES CRITICAL, IT'LL IGNITE THE THRUSTER FUEL...

SWITCH SAFETY PROTO-COLS TO BACKUP SYSTEMS.

COPY THAT.

MAIN SYSTEM RESET INITIATED.

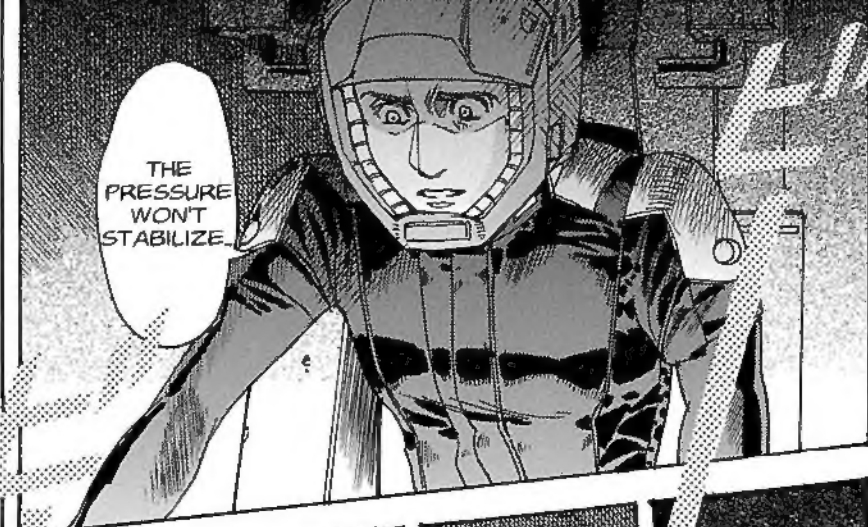


WORK WITH ME HERE, BIG WIG.



PRESSURE CONTINUING TO CLIMB...

WE'VE HIT RED ALERT STATUS.



THE PRESSURE WON'T STABILIZE.

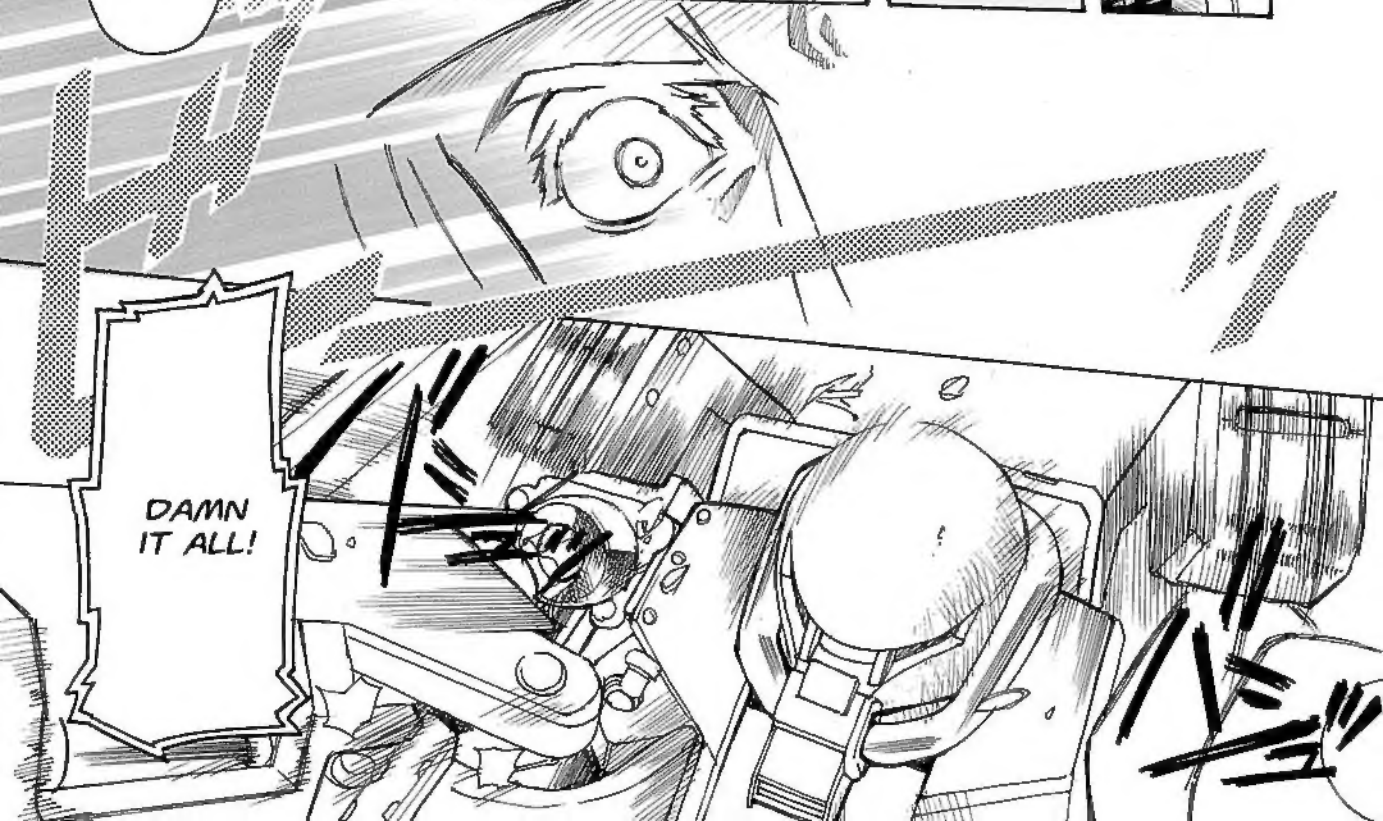


...HOW I PLANNED TO GO OUT.

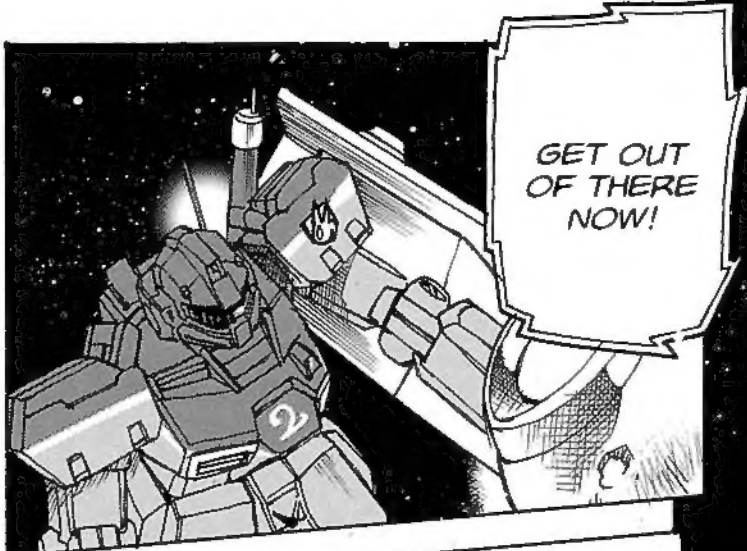
WASN'T EXACTLY...



G-GOING OUT LIKE THIS WITH MY MOBILE SUIT...



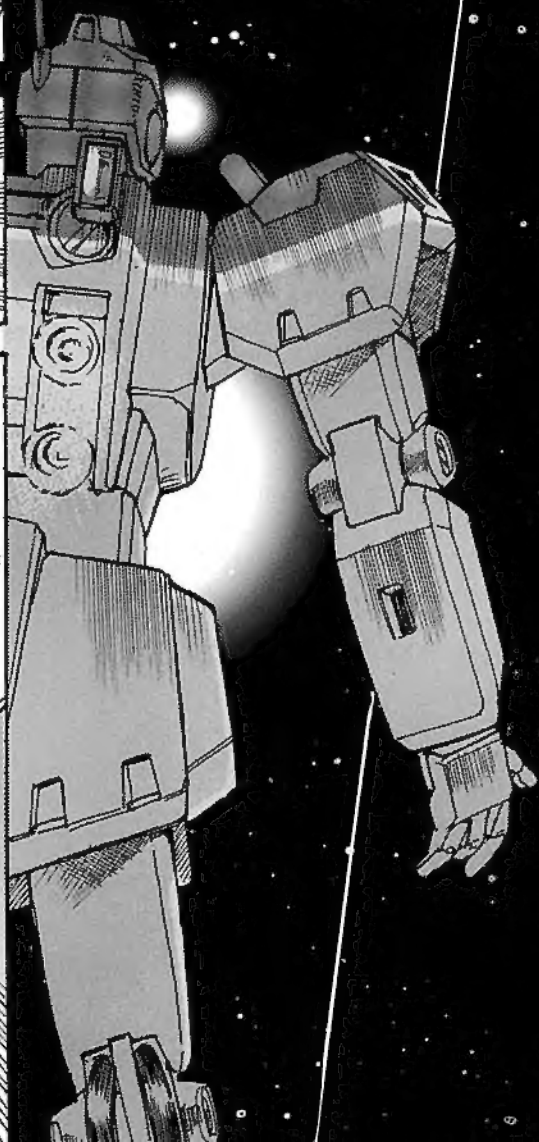
DAMN IT ALL!



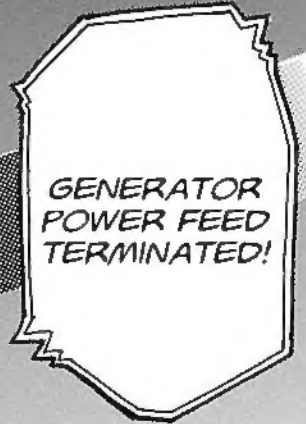
GET OUT
OF THERE
NOW!



JETTISONING
THE UNIT
WON'T HALT
MEGA
PARTICLE
GENERATION!



CANNON
INTERNAL
SAFETY
DISCHARGE
SYSTEM
ONLINE.



GENERATOR
POWER FEED
TERMINATED!

